CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT

PETITION TO AMEND THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION for the LOS MEDANOS ENERGY CENTER PROJECT (98-AFC-1C)

On October 3, 2006, the Los Medanos Energy Center, LLC filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Los Medanos Energy Center Project. The 555-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission on September 17, 1999, and began commercial operation on July 9, 2001. The facility, fomerly known as the Pittsburg District Energy Facility, is located in the City of Pittsburg, in eastern Contra Costa County.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The modification proposed in the petition would reduce the annual Particulate Matter Smaller Than 10 Microns (PM 10) emissions limit from 131.6 tons per year to 69.2 tons per year and obtain a PM 10 Emission Reduction Credits (ERCs) refund from the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD). During the site certification process, the project owner surrendered 131.6 tons of ERCs to the BAAQMD to mitigate for the PM 10 emissions the Los Medanos Energy Center Project would emit annually during operation. Results from source test over the past five years indicate that the facility is emitting less PM 10 emissions than anticipated. Therefore, the project owner is seeking a reduced permit limit and a refund of 62.4 tons (131.6 – 69.2) of PM 10 offsets from the BAAQMD.

ENERGY COMMISSION REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality, and public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and if the project, as modified, will remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the next several weeks. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will subsequently be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to interested parties and property owners adjacent to the project site who may want to participate in the amendment process.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/pittsburg/index.htlm. The staff analysis (when published), will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition and/or staff's analysis, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

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If you have any comments or questions, please contact Ms. Jeri Z. Scott, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4228, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: iscott@energy.state.ca.us within 14 days of the date of this notice.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact Margret J. Kim, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at pao@energy.state.ca.us. If you require special accommodations, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

Date:	
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INFORMATION REQUEST FORM

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COMPLIANCE UNIT ATTN: Ms. Jeri Z. Scott

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMMISSION DECISION TO REDUCE THE ANNUAL PM 10 EMISSIONS LIMIT AND OBTAIN AN EMISSION REDUCTION CREDITS REFUND FROM THE BAY AREA AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.

PLEASE CIRCLE THE DOCUMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE:

- PETITION TO AMEND
- STAFF ANALYSIS

PROJECT: Los Medanos Energy Center

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